

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

BILL: House Bill 1372 - Environment - Green

Infrastructure Rebate Program - Establishment

SPONSOR: De. Lehman, et al.

HEARING DATE: March 9, 2022

COMMITTEE: Environment and Transportation

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POSITION: SUPPORT

The Office of the Prince George's County Executive **SUPPORTS House Bill 1372** – **Environment - Green Infrastructure Rebate Program - Establishment**, which requires the Maryland Department of the Environment to establish and fund a Green Infrastructure Rebate Program providing cash rebates to property owners installing and maintaining best management practices reducing stormwater runoff and improving water quality.

Prince George's County already administers and operates a Green Infrastructure Rebate Program – The Raincheck Rebate Program. The County will benefit from **HB** 1372 to invigorate and provide supporting funding to the County's Raincheck Rebate Program, allowing us to provide greater support to residents across the county who are making improvements on their property that contribute to personal and community resilience to the increasing impacts of Climate Change.

For the reasons stated above, the Office of the Prince George's County Executive SUPPORTS House Bill 1372 and asks for a FAVORABLE report.